

In the claims:

Following is a complete set of claims as amended with this Response.

1. (Original) A method comprising:

detecting the presence of a portable radio device within range of a radio frequency communications link; and

sending a command to the portable radio device using the radio frequency communications link to change an internal setting of the portable radio device .

2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein detecting comprises:

broadcasting a query command using the radio communications link; and

receiving an identification message from the portable radio device over the radio communications link; and

wherein sending comprises sending the command including the identification.

4. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising before sending the command:

sending a message to the portable radio device to cause the portable radio device to instruct a user of the portable radio device to change the internal setting of the portable radio device;

waiting for a time interval; and

determining whether the user has changed the internal setting; and

wherein sending comprises sending the command if the user has not changed the internal setting.

5. (Original) The method of Claim 4, wherein the internal setting comprises a power on/off setting, wherein determining comprises determining whether the portable radio device power has been set to off, and wherein sending the command comprises sending a command to the portable radio device to power down.

6. (Original) The method of Claim 4, wherein sending a message comprises at least one of sending a text message, sending an audio message, and simulating a call.

7. (Original) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon data representing instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations comprising:

detecting the presence of a portable radio device within range of a radio frequency communications link; and

sending a command to the portable radio device using the radio frequency communications link to change an internal setting of the portable radio device .

8. (Original) The medium of Claim 7, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

9. (Original) The medium of Claim 7, wherein the instructions for detecting comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising:

broadcasting a query command using the radio communications link; and

receiving an identification message from the portable radio device over the radio communications link; and

wherein sending comprises sending the command including the identification.

10. (Original) The medium of Claim 7, further comprising instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations before sending the command comprising:

sending a message to the portable radio device to cause the portable radio device to instruct a user of the portable radio device to change the internal setting of the portable radio device;

waiting for a time interval; and

determining whether the user has changed the internal setting; and

wherein sending comprises sending the command if the user has not changed the internal setting.

11. (Original) The medium of Claim 10, wherein the internal setting comprises a power on/off setting, wherein the instructions for determining comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising determining whether the portable radio device power has been set to off, and wherein the instructions for sending the command comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising sending a command to the portable radio device to power down.

12. (Original) The medium of Claim 10, wherein the instructions for sending a message comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising at least one of sending a text message, sending an audio message, and simulating a call.

13. (Original) A control station comprising:

a transceiver to establish a radio frequency communications link;

a memory to store commands for changing an internal setting of a portable radio device; and

a processor coupled to the memory to cause the presence of a portable radio device within range of the radio frequency communications link to be detected and to cause a command to be sent to the detected portable radio device using the radio frequency communications link to change an internal setting of the portable radio device .

14. (Original) The station of Claim 13, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

15. (Original) The station of Claim 13, wherein the detecting is accomplished by:

broadcasting a query command using the radio communications link; and

receiving an identification message from the portable radio device over the radio communications link; and

wherein the command is sent with the received identification.

16. (Original) The station of Claim 13, wherein the message comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, and a simulated call.

17. (Original) A control station comprising:

an antenna:

a transceiver coupled to the antenna to establish a radio frequency communications link through the antenna;

a memory to store commands for changing an internal setting of a portable radio device; and

a processor coupled to the memory to cause the presence of a portable radio device within range of the radio frequency communications link to be detected and to cause a command to be sent to the detected portable radio device using the radio frequency communications link to change an internal setting of the portable radio device .

18. (Original) The station of Claim 17, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

19. (Original) The station of Claim 17, wherein the detecting is accomplished by:

broadcasting a query command using the radio communications link; and

receiving an identification message from the portable radio device over the radio communications link; and

wherein the command is sent with the received identification.

20. (Original) The station of Claim 17, wherein the message comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, and a simulated call.

21. (Original) A method comprising:

detecting the presence of a control station within range of a radio frequency communications link;

receiving a command from the control station using the radio frequency communications link to change an internal setting; and

executing the received command.

22. (Original) The method of Claim 21, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

23. (Original) The method of Claim 21, wherein detecting comprises:

receiving a broadcast query command from the control station over the radio communications link; and

sending an identification message to the control station over the radio communications link; and

wherein receiving comprises receiving the command including the identification.

24. (Original) The method of Claim 21, further comprising before receiving the command:

receiving a message from the control station to instruct a user to change the internal setting;

waiting for a time interval; and

determining whether the user has changed the internal setting; and

wherein executing the command comprises executing the command if the user has not changed the internal setting.

25. (Original) The method of Claim 24, wherein the internal setting comprises a power on/off setting, wherein determining comprises determining whether the power has been set to off, and wherein receiving the command comprises receiving a command to power down.

26. (Original) The method of Claim 24, wherein receiving a message comprises at least one of receiving a text message, receiving an audio message, and simulating a call.

27. (Original) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon data representing instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations comprising:

detecting the presence of a control station within range of a radio frequency communications link;

receiving a command from the control station using the radio frequency communications link to change an internal setting; and

executing the received command.

28. (Original) The medium of Claim 27, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

29. (Original) The medium of Claim 27, wherein the instructions for detecting comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising :

receiving a broadcast query command from the control station over the radio communications link; and

sending an identification message to the control station over the radio communications link; and

wherein the instructions for receiving comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising receiving the command including the identification.

30. (Original) The medium of Claim 27 further comprising instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations before receiving the command comprising :

receiving a message from the control station to instruct a user to change the internal setting;

waiting for a time interval; and

determining whether the user has changed the internal setting; and

wherein receiving comprises receiving the command if the user has not changed the internal setting.

31. (Original) The medium of Claim 27, wherein the message comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, and simulating a call.

32. (Original) A portable radio device comprising:

a transceiver to establish a radio frequency communications link with a control station;

a memory to store commands for changing an internal setting; and

a processor coupled to the memory to cause an internal setting to be changed upon receiving a command using the radio frequency communications link from the control station to change an internal setting.

33. (Original) The device of Claim 32, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message; an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

34. (Original) The device of Claim 32, wherein the processor further causes the mobile radio station to register with a control station by:

receiving a query command from the control station through the transceiver; and

sending an identification message to the control station; and

wherein the received command includes the sent identification.

35. (Original) The device of Claim 32, wherein the received command comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, and a simulated call.

36. (Original) A portable radio device comprising:

an antenna:

a transceiver to establish a radio frequency communications link with a control station;

a memory to store commands for changing an internal setting; and

a processor coupled to the memory to cause an internal setting to be changed upon receiving a command using the radio frequency communications link from the control station to change an internal setting.

37. (Original) The device of Claim 36, wherein the internal setting comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, a video message, power down, ringer off, and ringer volume adjust.

38. (Original) The device of Claim 36, wherein the processor further causes the mobile radio station to register with a control station by:

receiving a query command from the control station through the transceiver; and

sending an identification message to the control station; and

wherein the received command includes the sent identification.

39. (Original) The device of Claim 36, wherein the received command comprises at least one of a text message, an audio message, and a simulated call.

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